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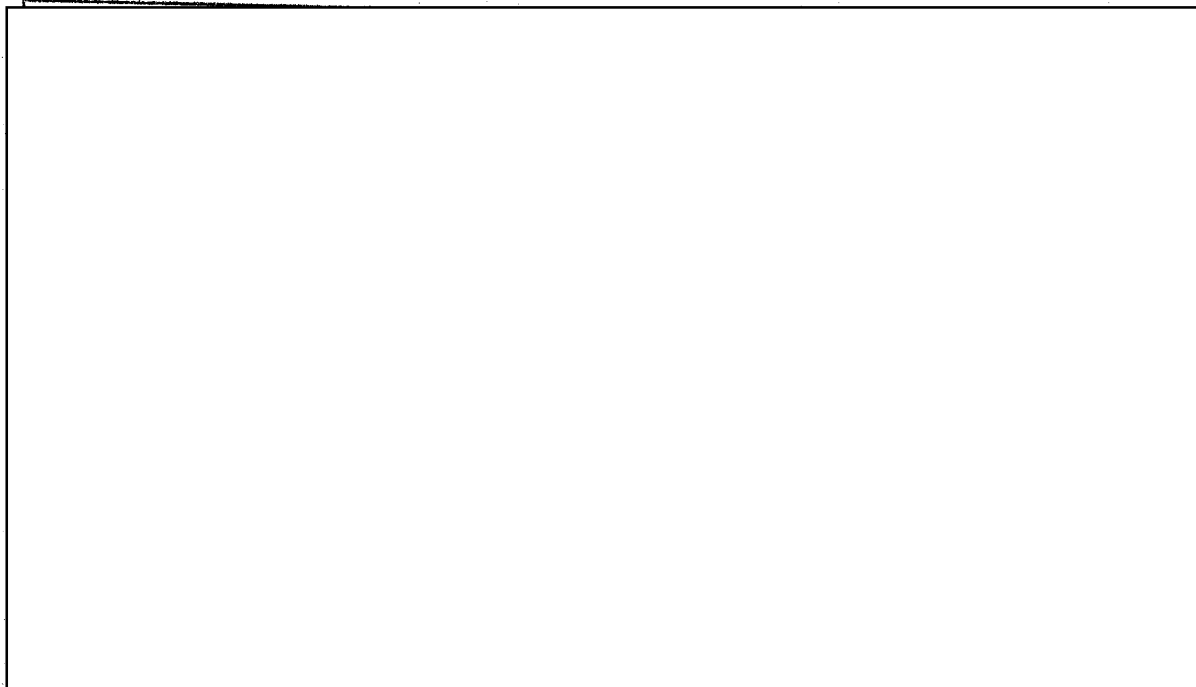
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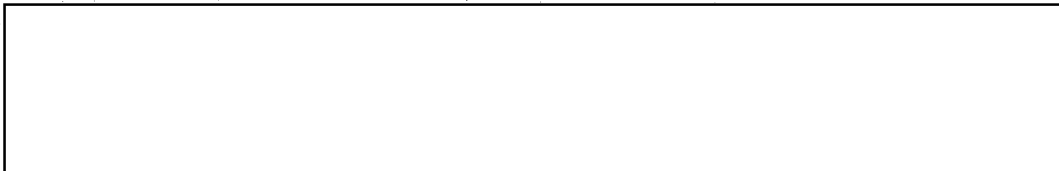
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1. All the grain tax in Szechuan has been shipped northwest as payment to 1,000,000 workers on military projects, including workers in coal mines and on the Lunghai railway extension. These taxes have left only three months supply of grain for the peasants. Bristle and tung oil from Szechuan and tin from Yunan was sent by trucks to the USSR. All the cotton in Shansi and Honan was sent to the Szechuan cotton mills in order to produce cloth for uniforms.

2. In early September the People's Revolutionary Military Council, Peiping, ordered all Chinese Communist army service and supply units, North China, to instruct all government operated and privately owned military uniform factories in that area to speed up the production of winter military uniforms. Large numbers of sheep in Jehol and Chahar are to be killed for hides to be used for the manufacture of winter military caps.

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5. On 28 August, approximately 1,000 rifles and 500 cases of ammunition which were stored in the Whampoa military depot, were sent by Kwangtung military authorities from Whampoa east on the Canton-Kowloon railroad to an undetermined area along that railroad. The shipment was accompanied by one company of troops from the 10 Public Security Division who acted as guards.
6. On 11 September the Kwangtung Military District Command issued circular orders to subordinate commands concerning immediate requisitioning of 2,000 motor vehicles in Kwangtung for shipment from Canton to Korea.

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1. Comment. The discrepancy in these figures is obviously an error in translation. It is possible that the overall order is for 5,000,000 rolls.

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